

Dwight and Julia Comms, Ex-Teachers, CIA Employes

Dwight Marshall Collins, 59, and his wife, Julia, 59, who both worked at the Central Intelligence Agency headquarters in McLean, have died in London, after being struck by a truck.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins, who lived at 7937 Deepwell Drive, Bethesda, left Washington last Saturday for the start of a 30-day European vacation.

They were struck by a delivery truck Monday morning as they stepped off a sidewalk in London's Piccadilly Circus area. Mrs. Collins was killed instantly. Mr. Collins was hospitalized with a fractured skull and died Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins both had teaching careers in the Washington area before they joined CIA in 1951 and took over what was described as responsible administrative positions involving non-secret work. They had been married since 1958. It was the second marriage for each.

Mr. Collins was a teacher and senior master of the Middle School at Landon School for Boys in Bethesda from 1932 to 1951. Mrs. Collins, then Mrs. Julia Barnes, taught at Sidwell Friends School here for two years before going to work at CIA and had been a teacher at the Remedial Education Center here from 1944 to 1949.

Mr. Collins, a native of Pittsfield, Mass., was a 1930 graduate of Yale University. He also attended the University of Grenoble in France in 1930-31; Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, in 1932; Columbia University in New York in 1938, and George Washington University in 1949.

Mrs. Collins was born in Washington and was a 1929 graduate of George Washington University. She was a graduate of Washington's old Central High School. Her father, William I. Denning, is a retired attorney who lives at 5517 Chevy Chase Parkway NW.

Mr. Collins leaves five children from his previous marriage. They are Susan Collins, who lives with her mother, Mrs. Lucy Collins, at 4212 Oakridge La., Chevy Chase; Donald Collins of 2716 Porter St. NW;

Mrs. Patrick McKegney of Guilford, Conn.; Dwight Collins Jr. of Berkeley, Calif., and Mrs. Van Foster of Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines, and a brother, George Collins of Sarasota, Fla.

Besides her father, Mrs. Comms from her former marriage to Robert D. Barnes. They are



DWIGHT M. COLLINS



MRS. JULIA COLLINS

Mrs. Eugenia Hancock Martin of 2618 Garfield St. NW; Robert Denning Barnes of 4712 Overbrook Rd., in Bethesda, and William Denning Barnes of 504 Kerwin St., Silver Spring, and three grandchildren.

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